

SERVIA EXPECTING BULGARIAN BLOW

The Allies Believe Ferdinand's Forces Will Attack Nish-Saloniki Railroad.

NO CHANGE ON EITHER FRONT

Von Hindenburg Repulses Attacks of Russians Along Dvinsk River—London Awaits Developments.

London, Oct. 12.—While the armies of the central empires continue to advance into Serbia, nothing has yet been made public to indicate anything in the nature of an actual military move by Bulgaria against Serbia, except a report that an assault is momentarily expected on the railroad connecting Nish and Saloniki.

Rumania is showing increasing alarm on account of the threatened military movement by Bulgaria and the central powers in close proximity to its frontiers, but neither Athens nor Bucharest is exhibiting any readiness to depart from a policy of benevolent neutrality toward the entente powers.

Hindenburg Repulses Slavs.

The official reports of the fighting along the major fronts were unusually meager today, the only significant point in any of them being the statement from Berlin that Field Marshal Von Hindenburg on the Dvinsk front had repulsed Russian attacks, which seemingly would indicate that for the first time since the German drive through Poland began the Austro-Germans are making no big offensive at any point along the whole eastern front.

The meeting of the British Parliament tomorrow promises to be of unusual importance. The Anglo-French loan of 500 million dollars obtained in the United States will be discussed and ratified, although there probably will be a few dissenters, who have been found to oppose every act of the government since war was declared.

Will Allies Aid Serbia?

The country will await, with far greater interest, however, for whatever light Sir Edward Grey may throw upon the Balkan developments and whether he or Premier Asquith will reveal the cabinet's policy on the vital alternative which confronts it: That alternative is whether Great Britain and France will throw all the forces they can command into the Balkan peninsula for the protection of Serbia and Greece against Teutonic-Bulgarian aggression, or will let events there take their course. The military and newspaper critics are agreed that one or the other path much be followed.

PREACHER SHOTS A YOUTH

Widely Known Young Railroad Man Killed in Study of New Orleans Episcopal Rector.

New Orleans, Oct. 12.—Entering his study at 6 o'clock this morning, the Rev. Byron Holley, rector of St. George's Episcopal Church, the most fashionable congregation in New Orleans, shot and instantly killed Lansing Pearsall, 22 years old, special investigator of the Gould railways here, whom he found in the room.

About 6 o'clock this morning Doctor Holley telephoned police headquarters he had shot a man in the rectory study. The minister told the police that while in his office he heard some one in his study adjoining. Taking a pistol he stepped into the study and saw a man near the door.

"The intruder did not answer my questions as to who he was and what he wanted," Doctor Holley said, "and when I ordered him out he made a motion as if to draw a weapon. I fired and the man fell."

Several hours later the man was identified at the morgue by Nathan G. Pearsall, claim agent of the Texas & Pacific Railroad, as his son. No reason for the young man's presence in the rectory could be given by his parents or friends. Doctor Holley said he never had seen Pearsall before.

MAY EXPEL AGENTS OF VILLA

Washington, Oct. 12.—President Wilson today approved Secretary Lansing's action Saturday in extending to the Latin-American envoys the recommendation that Carranza be recognized in Mexico and be given the assistance of all countries in bringing about order.

Re-imposition of the munitions embargo against Villa and other anti-Carranza factions is planned this week. Hereafter all Carranza opponents will be officially classed as "rebels," and the administration probably will expel all rebellious agencies and agents.

FRED A. BRITTEN



Congressman Fred A. Britten of Chicago, who has been making a tour of the Orient, declares the Japanese peril is a serious menace to the United States, especially in view of the fact that Japan is building up a navy much faster than is this country.

HIGH PRICES FOR ALL CROPS

This Year's Harvests Will Be Most Valuable Ever Produced Is Belief of Experts.

Washington, Oct. 8.—American harvests this year will be the most valuable ever produced. With the wheat crop exceeding 1,000,000,000 bushels, the largest ever produced in one season by any nation, and a corn crop which also may prove to be the largest ever grown, the government's October crop report issued today announced preliminary estimates which indicate record harvests of oats, barley, rye, sweet potatoes, rice, tobacco and hay.

Corn still is king of crops with indications of 3,026,159,000 bushels. While that is 98,000,000 bushels below the record of 1912, the final production, when the harvest is finished and all statistics compiled, may more than make up the deficiency. The higher prices this year assures the most valuable corn crop ever grown. At prices to farmers prevailing October 1 the corn crop is worth \$2,133,000,000.

Wheat prospects increased as the growing season progressed and the government's early season forecasts moved up month by month so that today's preliminary estimates of production was placed at 1,002,029,000 bushels. Wet weather at harvest time, however, reduced the quality of winter wheat so that much of it will not be available for milling purposes and will have to be used for feed. At prices prevailing October 1 the farm value of the crop is \$910,844,000, considerably more than ever was paid for a wheat crop before.

September weather was particularly destructive to potatoes, causing a reduction of 37,758,000 bushels, or 10 per cent in the forecast of production. Tobacco also suffered from unfavorable conditions, which caused a decrease of 21,196,000 pounds in the production forecast. Tobacco, however, promises to exceed the record crop of 1909 by 43,000,000 pounds.

Oats will exceed the record crop of 1912 by almost 100,000,000 bushels. Barley will exceed its record by 13,000,000 bushels; sweet potatoes by 5,000,000 bushels; rice by 500,000 bushels and hay by 8,000,000 tons.

France to Aid Louisiana.

New Orleans, Oct. 8.—The French government, through Foreign Minister Delcasse, yesterday authorized the French consul general here to contribute \$500 for relief of storm sufferers in Louisiana.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

—Signing of a parcel post convention between the United States and Argentina, effective October 15, has been announced by Postmaster General Burleson. Paraguay now is the only country of South of Central America with whom such a treaty has not been concluded.

—Great importance is attached in Italian political circles to the departure of Premier Salandra for the front for a conference. His visit is believed to be connected with the international situation.

TEUTON FORCES HOLD BELGRADE

Austro-Germans Have Begun Advance Eastward Toward Mountains of Serbia.

BOTH SIDES GAIN IN WEST

Berlin Claims Recapture of Strip of Territory and French Took a German Trench.

London, Oct. 11.—The Austro-Germans are now in full possession of Belgrade and the heights surrounding the city and have begun an advance eastward toward the mountains which the Serbians last year so stubbornly defended against the Austrians.

For some time to come the invaders, it is expected, will have to fight only the rear guards whose duty it is to delay their progress, for the Serbians will doubtless do as they have done on previous occasions—fall back until they reach positions in which they will have the best opportunity of holding their ground. In fact military writers here do not expect a pitched battle on the front for ten days or a fortnight, by which time the allies' forces landed at Saloniki should have joined hands with the Serbians.

Bulgarians Inactive.

The Bulgarians, so far as is known, have not yet made any incursion into Serbian territory and it is believed that they will withhold their hands until they know how matters go with the Austro-Germans. Some Balkan authorities, indeed, still believe that the Bulgarians will not interfere with the movement northward of the Anglo-French expedition, for so to do would immediately bring the shells of the warships into their ports on the Black and Aegean seas, probably followed by the landing of Russian troops at Varna and Burgas and of other allied troops at Dedeagatch.

Berlin and Paris Claim Gains.

Both Berlin and Paris claim gains for their troops in the vicinity of Tathure, in the Champagne region of France. The French assert to the southeast of the town they captured a German trench, while Berlin says the Germans regained a strip of territory over a front of two and a half miles, and in addition took several trenches to the east of Souchez.

On the remainder of the front from Belgium to the Vosges Mountains there has been important fighting with heavy guns, bombs and grenades.

Russian positions over a front of almost five miles north of the railroad running west from Dvinsk have been taken by Field Marshal von Hindenburg's men, according to Berlin, and a fierce Russian counter attack in the same region has been repulsed. There also had been hard fighting to the southeast and across the border in Galicia, in which both Berlin and Vienna declare their forces have made progress.

Along the Vosges front in the Italian war theater the Italians have repulsed with heavy losses Austrian attacks on numerous sectors.

London Says It's "Interesting."

London, Oct. 9.—The advance guard of the Austro-Germans who crossed the Danube at Belgrade has been partly destroyed and partly captured, and those who entered the Serbian territory across the Save have met with enormous losses, according to an official dispatch received tonight by the Serbian legation from Nish.

The Austro-German troops already have gained a foothold on Serbian territory, but they have not yet come into touch with the main Serbian army which is entrenched in the mountains just beyond the rivers, while the Anglo-French force which was landed at Saloniki is making its way northward to assist the Serbians and to protect Macedonia from a threatened Bulgarian invasion.

Allies Rule Baltic.

The German mercantile marine in the Baltic is beginning to feel the effect of the submarine war there. Virtually all German shipping in that quarter is being held up by British and Russian underwater craft, and the ferry services between Germany and Scandinavia are being carried on by neutral vessels.

A renewed offensive by the Allies on the Western front has not yet materialized, the recent French attacks in Champagne and Artois apparently having been simply local attempts to capture points of vantage which brought about furious German counter attacks. This is particularly true of the attack against the hill of Tohure, in the center of the German lines in Champagne, which has been almost continuously under German fire since its capture by the French.

RED CROSS CHRISTMAS SEALS

National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis Has Completed Plans.

Two hundred million Red Cross Christmas seals are now being printed and distributed by the American Red Cross and the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, according to a statement issued by the latter organization. The proceeds from the sale of these seals will go for the fight against tuberculosis in the communities where the seals are sold.

The organization of the Red Cross seal sale this year will take in every state and territory of the United States, including Hawaii, Porto Rico, and the Canal zone. By December 1, over 500,000 workers, men, women and children, will be engaged in the campaign.

The sale in 1914 broke all previous records, totaling over 55,000,000 seals, an increase of 22 per cent over 1913. After deducting all expenses, this left nearly \$500,000 for tuberculosis work in this country. The money has been and is being expended by over 2,000 different agencies who benefited from the sale in amounts ranging from \$100 or less to over \$25,000. The American Red Cross announces that it will continue its previous successful policy of charging only 10 per cent of the gross proceeds to state antituberculosis associations, thereby encouraging local work.

Young Doctor Broke Precedents.

"That young doctor is queer."
"In what way?"
"He admitted that he didn't know anything about my case."
"A lot of doctors do that nowadays."
"I know, but this fellow also admitted that he didn't know another doctor he could turn me over to."

Friend Wife's Idea.

"What's the pitcher doing now?"
"He's warming up for the game."
"But he's throwing the ball."
"Well! Well! That's warming up."
"Oh, dear! I thought a pitcher had to keep cool to win a game."

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"Maybe it's the bed ticking."

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From Mrs. Jane D. Duncan, W. Quincy, Mass.

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